

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Reference is made to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S.

Patent Application Serial Numbers:

U.S. Patent No. 6,457,822 \_\_\_\_\_ by Chen et al., ~~filed of even date herewith (Docket 82818)~~, entitled "Ink Jet Printing Method";

U.S. Patent No. 6,541,599 \_\_\_\_\_ by Wang, ~~filed of even date herewith (Docket 83086)~~, entitled "Process for Manufacture of Soluble, Highly Branched Polyamides, And At Least Partially Aliphatic Highly Branched Polyamides Obtained Therefrom";

U.S. Patent No. 6,541,600 \_\_\_\_\_ by Wang et al., ~~filed of even date herewith (Docket 82298)~~, entitled "Water Soluble and Dispersible Highly Branched Polyamides";

U.S. Patent No. 6,525,170 \_\_\_\_\_ by Wang, ~~filed of even date herewith (Docket 82401)~~, entitled "Highly Branched Polyesters Through One Step Polymerization Process"; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,353,082 ~~09/697,205~~ by Wang, ~~filed October 26, 2000~~, entitled "Highly Branched Polyesters Through One Step Polymerization Process".--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Hyperbranched polymers which may be used in this invention containing a dye either as a pendant group or in the backbone are described in ~~co-pending Application Serial No.~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,541,600 by Wang et al., ~~filed of even date herewith (Docket 82298)~~, entitled "Water Soluble and Dispersible Highly Branched Polyamides" referred to above, and U.S. Patent 6,252,025, the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--